RESOLUTION NO. 2009-29

A RESOLUTION, in support of the Valley Trail Project.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Wenatchee to encourage appropriate recreational use of the Wenatchee River and surrounding areas by its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, a local group, the Friends Of Our community Trail (F.O.O.T.) has been formed to study and plan for the inter-connectivity of the existing paths and trails in Chelan County; and

WHEREAS, community trails are a safe, effective and positive way to improve the health of the community, provide transportation alternatives and improve quality of life for all residents; and

WHEREAS, Washington State statute allows owners and others in possession of land and water areas to make these areas available to the public for recreation with protection from liability as a result of the recreational use of the property through the Washington State Recreational Use Statutes (RCW 4.24.200 and 4.24.210); and

WHEREAS, the City of Wenatchee Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board support the creation of a non-motorized trail in the Wenatchee River Valley; and

WHEREAS, the local economy of the Upper Wenatchee Valley and Chelan County benefits from the recreational opportunities derived from public lands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY the City Council of the City of Wenatchee to declare support of the creation of a continuous, non-motorized trail system in the Wenatchee River Valley that provides effective safeguards to protect the rights of adjacent property owners while connecting the communities of Leavenworth, Peshastin, Dryden,

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WENATCHEE at a regular meeting thereof this 9th day of April, 2009.

Cashmere, Monitor, and Wenatchee in the best interests of all involved.

CITY OF WENATCHEE, a Municipal Corporation

DENNIS IOHNEON Mayor

ATTEST:

By:

BRENDA GUSKE, City Clerk

APPROVED:

By:

TEVE D SMITH, City Attorney